

U. S. WEATHER BU  
REAU, JULY 29--Last 24  
hours' rainfall, trace Tem-  
perature, max. 82; min.  
72. Weather, fair.

# Sunday



# Advertiser.

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trifugal, 4.0025¢; Per Ton,  
\$81.25. 88 Analysis Beets  
10¢ 11 1-4¢; Per Ton,  
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## BIG FIRE IN KALIHI HILLS

### Brave Men of the Palama Station Probably Save Oahu From Serious Conflagration.

The heroism of the men of the Palama fire station stopped what might have been a very serious forest fire close to Honolulu last night.

The fire was on the Waikiki side of Kamaikai ridge, which juts down into the upper part of Kalihi valley, and broke out in the dry grass on the steep hill side about four o'clock in the afternoon. The story of its starting is told in various ways. One tale has it that the fire was set by some children playing in the neighborhood of the Kalihi quarry during the afternoon. Another was that Manuel De Costa, upon whose place the fire started, had been burning some brush there.

However it began, the fire spread rapidly in the dry grass back of the quarry, although no one seems to have paid much attention to it until after dark. Then, at about seven o'clock, the alarm was sent into the Palama fire station and Chief Thurston ordered out the men, and himself went at once to the scene of the fire. The men, led by Foreman Charles Birch, made a quick run, the driver of the hose wagon, J. Reddy, getting all there was out of the horses. Then the force, consisting of the foreman and Reddy, with Hosemen J. De Fries, P. Bright, D. Machado and D. Kama, went to work fighting the fire. And these men conquered.

The fire was under control pretty well by the time other assistance came, although Superintendent of Public Works Holloway had a force on the ground as soon as he was notified of the fire, and Mr. Krause of Kamehameha School went up with three laborers, all the men he had available, and Chief Forester Hosmer and Mr. Hawes took two men up also, but found the fire under control when they reached Kalihi.

Between fifteen and twenty acres on the hillside was burned over, and Foreman Birch, of the Palama Fire Station, slipped while fighting the flames and slid down the steep side of the mountain about fifty feet before he could check himself. His clothes were torn, and his face somewhat lacerated by the slip.

There was little wind, which fact aided the fire fighters, and there was immediately above the dry grass that was burned over a patch of green hilo grass, on the site of a former fire, which also formed a check. Above this, reaching to the top of the ridge, was a mass of dry staghorn fern. If the wind had been high enough to carry sparks, or if the firemen had not checked the blaze at the edge of the new grass, there is no telling where the fire would have gone. The dry staghorn fern burns like powder.

It was thought the fire was all out last night, but an inspection will be made at daylight to make sure. And, in case there should be another blaze, the Bishop estate laborers will turn out to help the fighters.

## ASIATIC BLACKSMITHS MUST ALL BE EXAMINED

### The School Is Held in Honolulu and Some of the Pupils Do Not Get On Overly Well.

Japanese and Chinese "blacksmiths" of Honolulu must undergo examinations as to their skill in rounding out horseshoes, and display their knowledge of their art in general.

The last Legislature passed an act entitled Farriers' and Horseshoers' License Act of 1905, which requires that persons engaging in business as blacksmiths must have a license. He must file an application, and before the license can be issued the applicant is to be examined to ascertain whether he is capable of carrying on such a trade.

For the past three days an interesting school has been conducted at the blacksmith shop of J. W. McDonald on Fort street, where four Japanese every day have sweltered and perspired over the forge fashioning shoes on models prepared by blacksmith McDonald, and which, by the way, are fine examples of what may be called an art. These models have been nickel-plated, two of them being of the spring variety, made from one piece of steel, but with a spring as strong as if inserted from a second piece.

First of all an oral examination is conducted by Charley Wilson, with the aid of Toma Abe, the Japanese detective, as interpreter. The questions had been reduced to writing by Mr. McDonald, and Wilson then put them to the applicants.

It is certainly a queer school. Ped-

agogue Wilson has his chair and desk in a little back room of McDonald's shop, the air pungent with smoke and the odor of scorching hoofs as shoes, hot from the forge, are laid on. The pupils, clad in dungaree, with nervous expectancy on their countenances, occupy broken down chairs and benches. The floor is strewn with old horse and mule shoes, nails, the accumulations of scrapings that always pile up in a blacksmith shop. There are no books in view.

Okasaki, who wants a license, said he had been in the business of shoeing horses for six years and had learned the trade here. A sorrel horse with badly contracted heels, the off hind foot worse than the rest, was brought up, ready to be shod. With this specimen of horseflesh as an example, pedagogue Wilson began asking questions, which were put to the pupil by Toma Abe in Japanese. It was a difficult way to get the information desired, and was not at all times satisfactory.

"What do you know about corns in horses' feet, and the remedy?" was asked.

"Corns appear in the heels of their feet," was Okasaki's answer. "When cut into the color is red. Cut out the red matter until you reach the sound part. Sear it with a hot iron and put in oil and tar."

"What do you know about sand cracks?"

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## EMPLOYEES OF COUNTY MUST WAIT FOR PAY

### Chairman Smith Says Times Will Be a Little Hard at First, but That Time Will Adjust All Difficulties.

There will be wailing and gnashing of teeth among the employees of the County of Oahu, especially in the road and garbage departments, for they will not receive their wages until next Thursday or Friday, from the present outlook. At the meeting of the Board of Supervisors last night the question of the monthly warrant of the county was brought up. The money will be available on the first of August, but the county officials are yet bothered over the "forms" by which the money is to be paid over to employees, and for this reason, and because of red tape, the county would not be in a position to pay off until several days after the first of the month.

Another question touched upon at the board meeting hinted at war, but ended in smoke. It related to the power of the territorial officials to grant franchises. The reference was to the Koolau railroad, and some of the supervisors felt that the ability to give franchises was too much power for one man to have. Supervisor Moore said that the granting of such a franchise would burden the county with roads which would have to be repaired. He advocated having the County Attorney get out an injunction against all territorial officials granting such a franchise until the status of the county could be ascertained from the proper legal sources, but made no motion to that effect and the matter dropped.

#### TO FIGHT MOSQUITOES.

The minutes of the preceding meeting were read and approved. The chair called for reports from standing committees, and Adams, for the committee on expenditures, reported that the form for making out the bills has not been decided on.

Lucas, for the committee on roads and bridges, reported that the road to Wahiawa was in a bad condition, dust being very thick.

Adams, for the committee on police, said he had called on the Sheriff, but he was absent owing to a recent bereavement in his family. A meeting will be held on Monday.

Moore, for the committee on health said he had conferred with Sam Johnson about removing garbage in the business section. Garbage was now removed before 6 a. m. Business men were grateful for this. He stated also that the Board of Health was desirous of furnishing oil to the supervisors to lay on pools of water, and in manholes and catch basins.

The water department chief said the water supply had been so short in recent times that it was able to flush the sewers but once a week. The board asked if the supervisors could not appropriate a small amount to purchase oil to put in manholes and other places where water stood to prevent them from becoming breeding places for mosquitoes.

The question of bonds was brought up, and Adams said he saw nothing on the bonds to show that they had been issued "in consideration" of any amount. He said that certain insurance bonds named \$25, for example. He thought it a matter for the county attorney to look into.

Road supervisor Johnson was asked whether he had a cart and mule which could be placed at the disposal of the Board of Health to distribute oil, and said he had.

#### THE WAHIAWA ROAD.

A communication from Jas. A. Lowe of the Ewa and Waianae road board, told of the bad condition of the old

road this side of Wahiawa. They wanted a special sum of \$15,000 to rebuild the road. The road board was averse to using \$3000 out of the road taxes, as the money was needed to pay for cantonments, etc. The entire matter should be referred to a road jury to determine the damages. A lot of old correspondence of the time when the new road was proposed was enclosed with Lowe's letter, and was read to the supervisors.

The matter was referred to the committee on roads and bridges.

Thirty-eight voters of the Ewa precinct asked the board to appoint J. K. Luka as road supervisor for Ewa. Other petitioners asked that B. O. Clark be appointed road overseer for Wahiawa road, where it branches off from the main road.

Lucas thought there was a good deal of sense in the request. The road had been sadly neglected.

"Take a ride over that road, and you will never want to go over it again," said Mr. Lucas.

Lucas thought a special road board might be appointed for Wahiawa section.

Residents along Sorano road, near Kuakini street, asked that the road be repaired.

Adams presented a resolution, the object being to continue the department under the county care for seven months as taken over by the territory on July 1. Only the departments, not the officers, were meant.

Paele asked for information. He thought that the resolution implied that the appropriations made for July for all these departments were meant to cover each of the seventeen subsequent months.

Moore asked if the board had the right to make rules and regulations governing the various departments. The chair replied that the law so stated.

The chair said the board, according to law, had the power to appropriate all moneys for the running of the departments, and at what periods it desired. By appropriating money monthly, the supervisors could keep better

## ARE FEELING THE BOYCOTT

### Prominent San Francisco Firm Loses Chinese Contracts--Merchants to Discuss Matter.

(ASSOCIATED PRESS CABLEGRAMS.)

SAN FRANCISCO, July 30.—Getz Brothers of this city have received a cablegram from their Shanghai agent asking them to cancel all their Chinese contracts on account of the boycott against American goods. There will be a meeting of the San Francisco commercial bodies Monday to consider the matter.

## OYAMA NOW MOVING TO ISOLATE VLADIVOSTOK

KHERSUUV, Manchuria, July 30.—The Japanese forces are concentrating for the purpose of operating against Kirin and cutting General Linevitch's army off from Vladivostok.

## NEW YORK FEARS PANAMA FEVER.

NEW YORK, July 30.—Seventeen of the passengers and the crew of the mail steamer which arrived from Colon, Panama, yesterday have been detained in quarantine for observation. Suspicious symptoms indicating yellow fever led to the action of the authorities.

## BENNINGTON INQUIRY MONDAY.

SAN DIEGO, July 30.—Two more of the men injured in the Bennington disaster died yesterday. The inquiry will begin Monday.

## COURT-MARTIAL FOR MUTINEERS.

ODESSA, July 30.—The naval authorities are preparing to court-martial the mutineers from the battleship Kniaz Potemkin.

## CHINESE ADMIRAL DEAD.

SHANGHAI, July 30.—Admiral Yeh is dead.

## SNOW ON MAUNA LOA.

VOLCANO HOUSE, July 27.—On Monday morning the summit of the peak of Mauna Loa was covered with snow. It was dazzling. The crater of Kilauea is very active.

GEORGE LYCURGUS.

track of the same. The Adams resolution was passed, 6 ayes, 1 nay.

Adams then called attention to the request of Postmaster Pratt, read at a previous meeting, to have houses in Kalihi and elsewhere numbered, so that the free delivery could be extended. Mr. Adams said the department of Public Works had a record of what had

already been done in the city, which showed the work had been thoroughly done. The two men who had done this work were still available. It could be done in two months in Kalihi and Puunui. He presented a resolution covering the extension, appointing A. E. Murphy, at \$125, and Mr. Schmidt, at \$75, for the month of August. He thought the work could be done in two months. The resolution called for an appropriation of \$200 for August.

Lucas thought the entire work for the portion of the city, not completed before, could be finished in two months. It was a good work.

Moore said he had had a conversation with Mr. Murphy and the latter had told him the entire work could be completed. He thought the resolution should bind the men to complete the work.

#### PAELE WANTS MONEY.

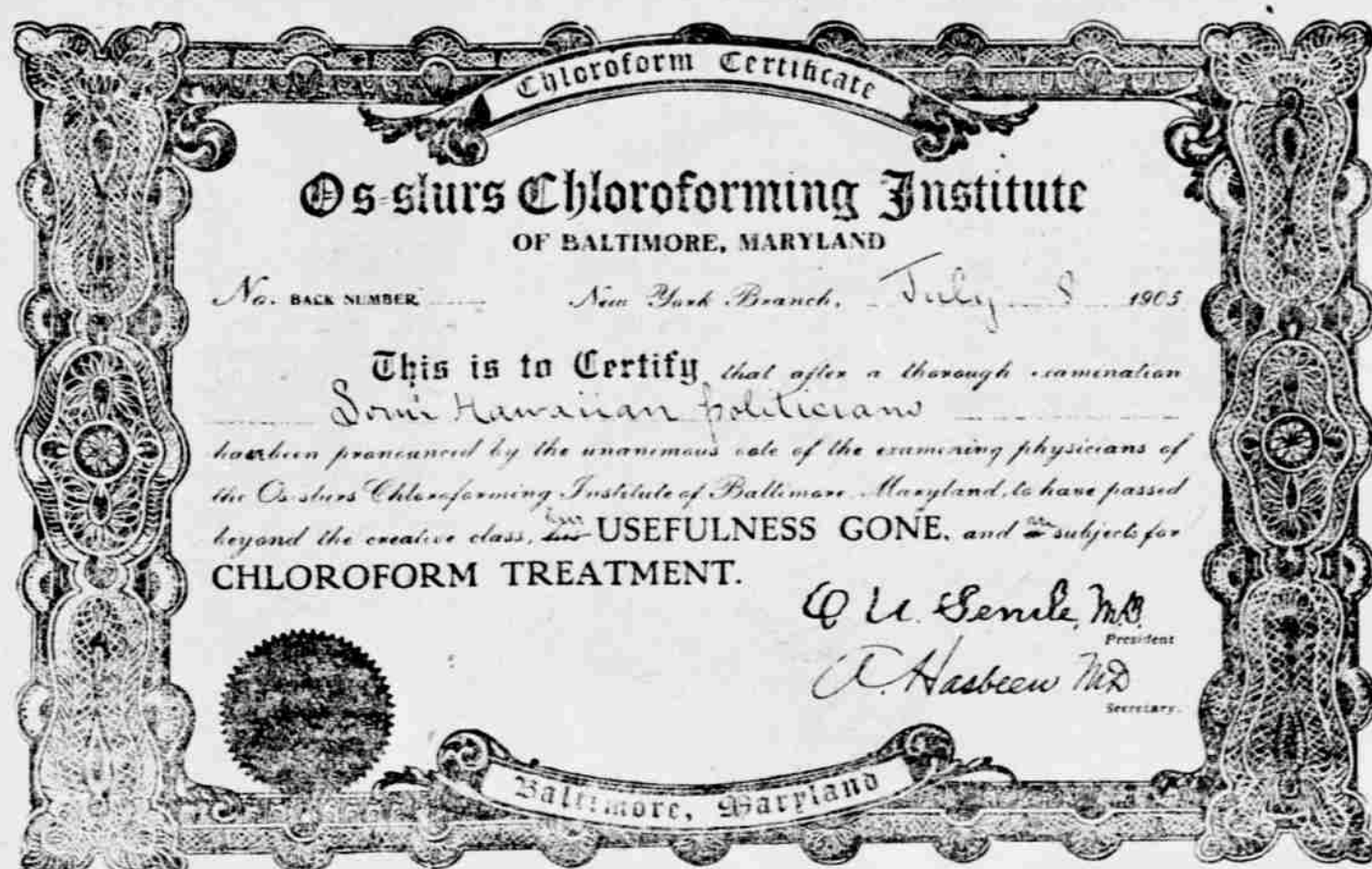
Adams said the territory was willing to lend the county all the books relating to house numbering.

Paele moved to lay the matter on the table, as there might be a chance to raise some revenue out of it.

The house numbering resolution then passed unanimously.

Several matters concerning the various road boards were passed over to Tuesday. It was developed that the road board of Ewa had been continuing work during the month of July, and had authorized the expenditure of money, without authority from the supervisors. Adams said this was be-

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THE NEWEST THING IN CIRCULATION.